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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

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Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid-up Capital, \$7,500,000
RESERVE FUND, \$4,500,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROP. \$7,500,000
DIRECTORS.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.
Chairman—M. GROTS, Esq.
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Acting Chief Manager—JOHN WALTER, Esq.
MANAGER,
Shanghai, EVEN CAMERON, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.
INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
On Fixed Deposits—
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. "
" 12 " 5 per cent. "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
Drafts granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

JOHN WALTER,
Acting Chief Manager.
Hongkong, February 26, 1887. 363

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK.

1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturday, 10 to 1.
2.—Sums less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$4,500 in any one year.
3.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.
4.—Interest at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum will be allowed to deposits on their daily balances.
5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.
6.—Correspondence as to the business of the Bank if marked On Hongkong Savings' Bank Business is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.
7.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

JOHN WALTER,
Acting Chief Manager.

Hongkong, June 7, 1887. 364

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of the late Mr. GEORG THEODOR SIEMSEN in our Firm ceased on the 24th November, 1886, and that of Mr. PAUL GERHARD HUBBE on the 31st December, 1886.

MR. JACOB RUFF has been authorized to sign our Firm per Procuratum from this date.

Hongkong and China, 14th February, 1887. 310

NOTICE.

IN consequence of Mr. ROBERT HOWIE and Mr. RONALD GLEIG leaving China we will no longer sign our Firm per Procuratum.

We have this day authorized Mr. GEORGE DIXWELL FEARON and Mr. EDMUND THOMAN BOND to sign our Firm per Procuratum at CANTON and MACAO.

DEACON & Co.

Canton, 1st April, 1887. 600

NOTICE.

THE Underwriter has this Day admitted Mr. W. H. YOUNG as a Partner in his Business of SHIPS and GENERAL BROKERS and the Firm will from this date be styled on under the Style of "STOKES & YOUNG".

A. G. STOKES.

Hongkong, April 1, 1887. 598

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A. G. STOKES.

Hongkong, April 1, 1887. 599

NOTICE.

WE have this Day REMOVED to the 1st FLOOR of No. 60, Queen's Road, opposite our Old Office.

DENNYS & MOSSOP,

Solicitors & Notaries.

Hongkong, March 26, 1887. 552

Intimations.

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND declared at To-day's Meeting of Shareholders of 8 per cent. per Annum or \$4 per Share for the half year end 31st December, 1886, will be payable at the HONGKONG and SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on TUESDAY, the 12th instant, and DIVIDEND WARRANTS will be sent by Post to the SHAREHOLDERS on MONDAY, the 11th instant.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

LOUIS HAUSCHILD,

Secretary.

Hongkong, April 4, 1887. 634

NOTICE.

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE Annual General MEETING of the MEMBERS of the CLUB will be held at the CLUB HOUSE, on WEDNESDAY, 13th April 1887.

An EXTRAORDINARY General MEETING of the MEMBERS of the CLUB will be held at the conclusion of the above Meeting for the purpose specified in the notice posted in the Hall of the Club.

By Order,

O. H. GRACE,

Secretary.

Hongkong, April 4, 1887. 632

NOTICE.

CHAS. J. GAUPP & Co.,

Chronometer, Watch & Clock Makers,

Jewellers, Gold & Silversmiths,

NAUTICAL, SCIENTIFIC AND

METEOROLOGICAL INSTRUMENTS,

VOYAGEUR'S CELEBRATED

BINOCAULARS AND TELESCOPES,

RITCHIE'S LIQUID AND OTHER COMPASSES,

ADMIRALTY & IMPRAT CHARTS,

NAUTICAL BOOKS,

ENGLISH SILVER & ELECTRO-PLATEDWARE,

CHRISTOFLE & Co.'s ELECTRO-PLATEDWARE,

GOLD & SILVER JEWELLERY,

in great variety.

DIAMONDS

— AND —

DIAMOND JEWELLERY,

A Splendid Collection of the Latest LONDON PATTERNS, at very moderate prices. 742

NOTICE.

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

ONE of the STEAM VESSELS of the above Companies is appointed to leave HONGKONG for AUSTRALIAN PORTS every six weeks.

When the sailing date falls on a SUNDAY, the Departure will take place at Daylight on that day.

Schedule of Sailings to 30th June, 1887.

March 29 April 7 May 4 June 9

" 16 " 13 " 18 "

" 25 " 22 " 27 "

" 31 "

RUSSELL & Co.,

Agents, Eastern & Australian Steamship Co., Ltd.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents, China Navigation Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, April 1, 1887. 608

Chinese Imperial Government Seven per Cent. Silver Loan of 1886.

LOAN 'E.'

FIRST HALF YEARLY DRAWING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that, in conformity with the stipulation contained in the Bonds of this Loan, the following Numbers of Bonds to be paid off at Par at the Shanghai Office of the HONGKONG and SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, and at other Offices of the Bank at the current rates of Exchange for demand bills on Shanghai, on the 31st day of March, 1887, when the Interest thereon will cease to be payable, were this day drawn at the Office of the said Corporation in Hongkong, in the presence of HENRY MAURICE BEVIS, Esquire, Chief Accountant of the said Corporation, and of the undersigned Notary.

NUMBERS OF BONDS DRAWN.

16 Bonds Nos.—

245 1035 1351 1897 2318

864 1152 1610 1932 2371

936 1221 1781 2354 2399

For 250 Shanghai Taels each—3,750

Shanghai Taels.

For the

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,

H. M. BEVIS,

Chief Accountant.

undersigned.

A. B. JOHNSON,

Notary Public,

Hongkong.

Hongkong, 12th January, 1887. 530

NOTICE.

CHINESE IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT SEVEN PER CENT. LOAN OF 1886.

LOAN 'E.'

FIRST HALF YEARLY DRAWING.

THE INTEREST due 31st day of March instant, on the above LOAN, together with the BONDS DRAWN for Redemption, will be Paid at the Office of this CORPORATION on and after that date.

For the

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,

Agents Drawing the Loan,

JOHN WALTER,

Acting Chief Manager.

Hongkong, March 30, 1887. 561

NOTICE.

WE have this Day REMOVED to the 1st FLOOR of No. 60, Queen's Road, opposite our Old Office.

DENNYS & MOSSOP,

Solicitors & Notaries.

Hongkong, March 26, 1887. 552

Business Notices.

LENE CRAWFORD & CO.

CIGARS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.'S SPECIAL BRAND 'THE MANILAS'. LA PERLA DEL ORIENTE.—REINA VICTORIA, BREVAS, LONDRES, PRINCESAS, DAMAS, PERLAS, CONTADO DE LA REINA, REGLAICA CHICA, REGALIZA, OESTE, NUEVO HABANO EXTRA.

LA INSULAR.—No. 2, HABANO'S in 250 Boxes, \$4.00 per Box.

(All in perfect condition.)

TOBACCO.

F. & J. SMITH'S, Glasgow.—BROWN CUT NAVY, FLAKED GOLDEN LEAF HONEY DEW, SUN DRIED HED Mixture, GLASGOW MIXTURE, GOLDEN BIRDSEYE, SUN CUT VIRGINIA.

COPES.—GOLDEN CLOUD, SMOKING MIXTURE, GOLDEN BIRDS-EYE.

PAGES.—GOLD LEAF PLUG TOBACCO.

Entertainments.

Notices to Consignees.

THEATRE ROYAL,
CITY HALL.

JOHN F. SHERIDAN, Proprietor.
F. H. POLLOCK, Business Manager.
W. T. TIEVEY, Musical Director.
W. G. ALLAN, Artist Courier.

Little Drops of Humour. Little Raps of Light. Knock our Daily Troubles Higher than a Kite.

FOR A SHORT SEASON ONLY.

COMMENCING

THURSDAY,

7th April.

Mr. JOHN F. SHERIDAN,
the original.

WIDOW O'BRIEN,

Supported by his superb MUSICAL COMPANY OF AMERICAN AND ENGLISH ARTISTS in the World-Renowned FARCE COMEDY, in Two Acts.

ENTITLED

FUN ON THE BRISTOL,

WITH THE FOLLOWING GREAT CAST :—
WIDOW O'BRIEN, MR. JOHN F. SHERIDAN, His Famous World-renowned Creation, as played by him upwards of 2,000 times in America, England, Ireland, Scotland, Australia, and New Zealand.

DORI McALISTER (the Wife) Miss Maydow's Daughter); Miss Lucy Fraser, JOHN WAFFLES, alias COUNT MENAGIO, Mr. E. C. DUNBAR, Captain GRANGER, Mr. MARTIN HAGAN (an Old Sea Dog), Mrs. CHARLES THOMAS, Mr. CHARLES THOMAS (Sister to Mr. Alfred on S.S. Bristol), Mr. HOWLAND, RICHARD SPARKS (Dora's Mr. HENRY DELCHOICE), MAINE JOHN JONES (a Waiter) Mr. CLEMENT PANKRITION HAWKES, Mr. ARTHUR GORDON SHAW (a Detective) Mr. ALFRED FOLLOWING MUICAL ITEMS : Music Lesson...Miss LIVINGSTON, FEASER, and Mr. DONBAN, The Bells of Shandon) Mr. SHERIDAN 'The Plain Pudding' Dip in the Golden Sea) Miss MAY LIVINGSTON, GOING BACK TO DIXIE) VINGTON, Hush! Little Baby) VINGTON.

ACT I.—HOME OF WIDOW O'BRIEN. INCIDENTAL TO THIS ACT THE FOLLOWING MUICAL ITEMS :

Music Lesson...Miss LIVINGSTON, FEASER, and Mr. DONBAN,

'The Bells of Shandon) Mr. SHERIDAN 'The Plain Pudding' Dip in the Golden Sea) Miss MAY LIVINGSTON, GOING BACK TO DIXIE) VINGTON, Hush! Little Baby) VINGTON.

ACT II.—ON BOARD THE BRISTOL OUR MUSICAL BOUQUET : Duet—My darling Meets SHERIDAN when we are made and DUNDAS, one, ... and DUNDAS.

THE CHARMING AMERICAN SOEURTEE MISS MAY LIVINGSTON IN her immensely successful Master Song I'M THE GOVERNOR'S ONLY SON ! Miss MAY MILROY THE FAVOURITE SOPRANO VOCALIST.

Mr. E. C. DUNBAR, The World-renowned Minstrel, Italian Piffarari and Baritone Vocalist.

Mrs. LUCY FRASER, CONTRAL VOICING.

Mr. MARTIN HAGAN THE IRISH EMIGRANT.

Introducing his pop. song 'COME BACK,' American Mirth, Song, and Chorus

THE DANDY BLUES and

TURKISH REVILLE,

Introducing the KITTEN BAND.

Mr. SHERIDAN appearing in this scene in his Marvellous Chat-act study—

THE TRAMP.

Particular attention is called to the mystifying Metamorphosis from the robust old lady to the little shrivelled up old man with the Tin Dish.

NEW AND BEAUTIFUL SCENERY AND PROPERTIES.

Painted especially for Mr. JOHN F. SHERIDAN's India, China, and Japan Tour.

A CARD.

Mr. SHERIDAN had the honour of presenting this Entertainment before the Members of

THE ROYAL FAMILY.

At the Olympic Theatre, London, and takes great pleasure in presenting it in Hongkong, hoping to meet with the approval of the aristocratic and loving public, and adding this Country to his conquests in America, England, Ireland, Scotland, Australia, Tasmania, Queensland, New Zealand, India, British Burma, and State Settlements.

Two hours and a half of pure wholesome Fun, Music, and Songs.

Plan of the Hall and Seats reserved at LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., and PIANO used by the Company from the firm of LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

CARDS OF ADMISSION :—

Reserved Seats, \$2.

Second Seats, \$1.

Door's open at 8.30, Commencing at 9 P.M.

Hongkong, April 4, 1887. 629

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES
FROM ANTWERP AND BORDEAUX.ALSO
PENANG, SINGAPORE, SAIGON
AND HAI-THONG.

THE British Steamer *Chrysanthemum*, Capt. Frank, having arrived from the above Ports, and brought on part cargo.

Signed Ex a.s. *Print Albrecht*, Consignee of Carlo are hereby requested to send in COUNTER BILLS OF LADING FOR COUNTER SIGNATURE BY the Undersigned, and to TAKE IMMEDIATE DELIVERY of their Goods to the Undersigned. Consignees of OLD-HORSE-SHOES are particularly requested to TAKE DELIVERY from STEAMER IN THEIR OWN BOATS, failing which the Captain will not be responsible for any mixing of different lots or less in weight than name.

Lighters from the HONGKONG and KOWLOON PIERS are to be attended and any cargo impeding their discharge will be charged to Consignees risk and expense.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless notice to the contrary be given before 4 p.m. To-day, the 4th Instant.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 11th Instant will be subject to rent. All Claims must reach us by 4 p.m. of the 14th instant, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, April 4, 1887. 623

UNION LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES
FROM LONDON, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamer *Globe of Lorne*, Captain Pomroy, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignee of cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

The Steamer is berthed at Kowloon Pier and cargo impeding her discharge will be off loaded and stored at Consignees risk and expense, and no fire insurance will be effected.

All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 8th instant, or they will not be recognized.

RUSSELL & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, April 4, 1887. 641

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES
FROM LONDON, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamer *Nippon*, Captain Wm. Poers, will leave for the above place TO-MORROW, the 6th instant, at 4 p.m.

E. L. WOODIN, Acting Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office.

Hongkong, April 5, 1887. 638

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RUSSELL & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, April 4, 1887. 640

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES
FROM LONDON, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamer *Nippon*, Captain Wm. Poers, will leave for the above place TO-MORROW, the 7th instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SIEMSEN & CO.

Hongkong, April 5, 1887. 641

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES
FROM LONDON, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's S.S. *Derwent*, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the HONGKONG and KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY'S West Point Dockhouse, whence delivery may be obtained.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 10th April will be subject to rent.

No fire insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHEWS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, March 31, 1887. 560

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES
FROM SOUTABAYA, SAMARANG, BATAVIA & SINGAPORE.

TAking CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

THE Steamer *Globe* will be dispatched for San Francisco, via Manila, on TUESDAY, the 26th April, 1887.

Connection being made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan ports.

All Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full, and same will be received at the Company's Office, until 5 p.m. the day previous to sailing.

REGULAR PASSENGERS.—Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within six months, will be allowed a discount of 20% from Return Fare; Pre-Paid Return Passage Orders available for one year, will be issued at a Discount of 20% from Return Fare. These allowances do not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

General Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to ports beyond San Francisco, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

Goods remaining undelivered after 10th April will be subject to rent, and landing charges at one cent per packet per diem.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before TUESDAY, the 12th April, 1887, or they will not be recognized.

No fire insurance has been effected.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, April 3, 1887. 560

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES
FROM SINGAPORE.

THE Company's S.S. *Derwent*, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the HONGKONG and KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY'S West Point Dockhouse, whence delivery may be obtained.

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Hongkong, April 3, 1887. 560

THE CHINA MAIL.

We note the return here to-day in the *Bok-lara* of the Hon. T. Jackson, the popular chief manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. We believe the hon. gentleman will leave here to-morrow or shortly for Manila.

The prosecution against the opium dealer and the 126 men for being in possession of firearms was, as was anticipated, ended in smoke. To-day, Mr. MacKenzie ordered the opium dealer, the only defendant left, to be discharged, and the opium to be given up. We believe the opium was returned yesterday, and the firearms were given up to-day.

Shortly after two o'clock this afternoon, it was made apparent to people on this side of the harbour by a huge volume of smoke that fire had broken out in Messrs Blackhead & Co.'s newly-constructed godowns at Tsim Tsui Teo Point. There was an immediate expedition of launches to the scene of the fire, and it was then seen that the flames had obtained a powerful hold of the shed and its contents. How the fire originated is not known. Some hazard the opinion that it was due to spontaneous combustion, but we think it is much more likely to have arisen from actual contact with fire. However, that may be, the workmen who were employed in the shed at the time can give no explanation of its origin. All that they know is that the flames spread with astonishing rapidity, the wood roof and supports of the shed affording excellent fuel; a cargo of lumber, too, which had been landed from the *Haward Kidder*, being consumed by the devouring element with remarkable swiftness. A portion of the wood fence which surrounded the coal was also destroyed. Luckily the wind was blowing from an easterly direction, or the wharf connected with the shed might also have fallen a prey to the flames. The brig *Swan*, which was lying alongside, made every preparation to cast off from the wharf as soon as the outbreak was apparent, but as no danger was imminent she remained at her berth; her crew rendering whatever assistance was in their power in the work of extinguishing the flames. Very little could be done in this direction with the inadequate means at their command. Unfortunately, as often happens, the Firemen, the means upon which we rely to combat fires of this class, was in the hands of the 'doctor,' and it was at least two hours after the fire commenced before she was ready for work. The *Stenley*, the auxiliary floating fire engine, was also out of order, and like the Firemen had to be towed to Tsim Tsui Teo by Messrs Blackhead & Co.'s launch. Long before either of these launches had arrived, however, a steam launch from the *Victor Emanuel* had been doing good work. Ultimately, a good force of water was brought into play on the burning mass, and before five o'clock the fire was thoroughly subdued. We have not been able to learn the extent of the damage, but it must be considerable. There were from 6,000 to 7,000 tons of coal stored in the shed as well as a stock of general stores, including some tinned meats and Flensburg beer, and a goodly quantity of these have been destroyed. The property is insured, if not wholly at least partially, and we believe the China Fire Insurance Co. has a small risk on the structure. Mr. Wodehouse, the Superintendent of the Fire Brigade; Mr. Brower, Assistant Superintendent; Commodore Morant and Captain Dempster were present soon after the fire broke out and took part in directing operations. This fire illustrates, we think, the necessity of having a steam fire engine stationed at Yau-tai Ti or Tsim Tsui Teo, the latter for preference. Of course it might not have been possible to take a shore engine along to the fire this afternoon, as Messrs Blackhead's property is rather inaccessible from the roads of Kowloon; but the need for having some such means of protecting the very valuable properties which now extend from Yau-tai Ti to Tsim Tsui Teo is apparent. Especially is such a thing wanted in the event of the floating fire engine being out of order.

REGIMENTAL ATHLETIC SPORTS. (Under the patronage of Major-General W. G. Cameron, C.B.)

Committee:—Major W. T. Ellis, Captain J. Collinson, Major R. J. Chaytor, Lieutenant D. Graham, and Lieutenant G. A. Bramwell.

Sub-Committee:—Sergeant-Major Hill, Corporal-Kendrick, Color-Sergeant Crowley, Sergeant Everett, and Lance-Sergeant Brown.

The Athletic Sports of the 58th Regiment were held on the Cricket Ground this afternoon. The weather was very warm in the sun, but the heat did not seem much to affect the competitors, who threw themselves with great ardour into the race. During the afternoon H. E. the Acting Governor and Mrs. Marsh, Major-General Cameron, the Misses Cameron and a large number of ladies and gentlemen were among the spectators. The band of the Regiment, under Bandmaster Moran, played a large number of popular tunes during the afternoon; and a band of Minstrels were a never-failing source of amusement.

Among the most amusing and attractive parts of the programme were the obstacle race and the sack race.

Towards the close of the afternoon the guns of war absorbed all the interest. The crack team of the R.A. carried everything before them, and the officers of the Regiment had the satisfaction of beating a pretty strong team from the Hongkong Club, despite the enthusiastic manner the Club team was officered by Mr. W. Ledge.

PUTTING THE SHOT. 10 lbs. 7 foot run, no follow, 1st Prize, \$3; 2nd Prize, \$1.

There entered for this event—Privates Busby, Lovelock, Everett and More. The highest distance covered was 32 feet 8 in. by Private Busby; the next being Private Lovelock with 31 feet 9 in.

Private Busby, 1
Private Lovelock, 1
Hicks Jump, 1st Prize, \$3; 2nd Prize, \$1.

Privates Wilford, White, Spinks, Busby, and Fowlewell entered. The result was—

Private Spinks, 4 feet 8 in. 1

Private Busby, 4 feet 7 in. 2

Long Jump, 1st Prize, \$3; 2nd Prize, \$1.

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